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Inventor(s): Cates et. al.

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Case No.: 5339

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: Cates et. al.

Serial Number: 10/044,166

Filed: October 22, 2001

For: **Textile Substrate Having Coating Containing Multiphase**

**Fluorochemical, Organic Cationic Material, & Sorbant Polymer Thereon, for
Image Printing**

Group Art Unit: 1771

Examiner: Ruddock, Ula Corinna

Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

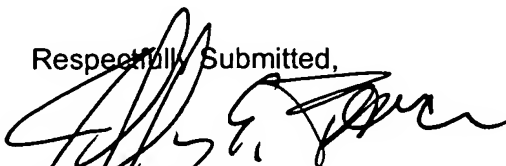
In response to the Office Action dated June 18, 2003, Applicant submits the attached Statement Under 37 CFR § 3.73 (b), Terminal Disclaimer to U.S. Application Serial Nos. 10/040,742, 10/044,171, 10/044,414, and 10/045,206, and Information Disclosure Statement with Cited References.

Applicant respectfully submits that this Response and its attachments addresses all of the rejections, objections, and comments in the latest Office Action, and respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims in view of this Response. Applicant respectfully submits that the amendments submitted herewith do not add new matter to the application. In the event that the Examiner believes that the claims would be allowable with minor changes, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned to discuss an Examiner's Amendment.

Fee Authorization: In the event that there are additional fees associated with the submission of these papers, Applicant hereby authorizes the Commissioner to withdraw those fees from our Deposit Account No. 04-0500.

Extension of Time: In the event that additional time is required to have the papers submitted herewith for the above referenced application to be considered timely, Applicant hereby petitions for any additional time required to make these papers timely and authorization is hereby granted to withdraw any additional fees necessary for this additional time from our Deposit Account No. 04-0500.

Respectfully Submitted,


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